GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3258
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SPRINKLER IRRIGATION
SURESH CHANDEL

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are granting subsidies to the farmers for installation of sprinkler irrigation system;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the total area on which the irrigation is done by the sprinkler system in the country specially in Himachal Pradesh, State-wise;

(d) whether only big farmers are getting the benefit of this project; and

(e) if not, the facts in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a) & (b): Yes, Sir. Assistance is provided for the promotion of sprinkler irrigation system. The pattern of assistance is 50 per cent of the cost of sprinkler set limited to Rs.15,000 for SC/ST/Women and Small and Marginal farmers.For general farmers the assistance is given @33 per cent of the cost of sprinkler set limited to Rs.10,000.

(c): State-wise total area under sprinkler irrigation is not maintained.

(d) & (e): The reply to (a) & (b) imply that all categories of farmers are getting benefit of this project. Small & Marginal, SC/ST & Women farmers are getting more assistance than the general farmers.